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# TOWN OF NEWINGTON

131 Cedar Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

## Department of Human Services

### Youth-Adult Council

Paulina Colon – Chairperson

Tim Cunningham-Co-Chair



Karen Futoma  
Director

**Monday, January 11, 2016**

**Conference Rm. 117 (near Town Manager's office)**

**In attendance: Tim Cunningham, Tim Manke, Karen Futoma, Alyssa Nadeau, Molly Rusgrove, Ashley Cayo, Carol Anest, Austin Matteson, Paulina Colon, Enzo Zocco, Steven Parker**

## MINUTES

- I. Call to Order-7pm
- II. Approval of November 9, 2015 minutes-approved
- III. Membership confirmation and swearing in status-update and reminder
- IV. Allocation of 2015-2016 CASAC funds as follows: Revision due to increased funding.
  - \$200 Life Star visit prior to prom
  - \$500 IMPACT presentation prior to prom
  - \$1,000 Safe Graduation
  - \$343 Library (to support a collaborative youth program with Human Services)
  - \$3,600 Human Services Youth Programs
  - Total: \$5643

The allocation of funds was approved by vote.
- V. Hoopla-So far we are on target for being ready for the scheduled date. We will check with Sandy Pilz to make sure we continue to be on target.
- VI. Reports
  - a. Youth-Middle School Youth: Hour of Code throughout secondary school-great event to promote technology and promote computer programming. There was a coat drive held at John Wallace Middle School. There was also a student vs. faculty basketball game at JWMS. Middle school 8<sup>th</sup> graders are beginning to prepare for course registration for their freshmen course. There was also a cupcake drive and the money went to the house of bread. NHS Youth: Also had the Hour of Code, preparing for midterms, winter sports are now in full session, and the musical is coming up in March.

- b. SEAN (Special Education Alliance of Newington)-first meeting of the year will be on January 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Police-December 5<sup>th</sup> the police held their Stuff-A-Cruiser. The turnout was very high. The donations collected at the high school are also added to the Stuff-A-Cruiser donations.
  - d. Library-none
  - e. School Administration-The musical is coming up in March, Thoroughly Modern Millie. The SAT which has become the 11<sup>th</sup> grade standardized test
  - f. Town Council-The Town Council Retreat is this upcoming weekend. Budget season is coming up quickly.
  - g. Board of Education-none
- Human Services- The December gift drive was successful. The open air market served over 100 households. The Youth and Family Counseling Program has 12 active cases but cases have declined recently most likely due to more residents have insurance that covers counseling and possibly a stigma to coming through town hall to get counseling. Fall SCORE finished up and Winter/Spring 2016 brochures were delivered to the schools and emailed to those registered for email.

**VII.** Other Business-mini-grants that discussed in past meeting to possibly be given out to schools. This will be revisited on the March agenda. The wooden pallet project is another possibility for a good community program, creating furniture out of wooden pallets. The wooden pallets may be visited on the May meeting.

**VIII.** Public Comments-None

**IX.** Adjournment-8:00 pm